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Genie of the lamps

Key stage for new heart of Woolwich

by Dick Townsend-Smith

THE multi-million pound redevelopment of Woolwich town centre has taken a step forward with the start of demolition works on two landmark buildings.

Work on the Crown building in Woolwich New Road and the Royal Mail sorting office next to it began last month in the latest stage of the Woolwich Central development, a massive regeneration project set to transform the town centre.

The 1.4m sq foot project will see 960 new homes, a new flagship Tesco store, and other smaller shops, as well as hundreds of new jobs.

The development is being built in Love Lane next to the new Woolwich Centre in Wellington Street. It will form a vital part of the regeneration of Woolwich and is set to provide an exciting new centrepiece for the town centre.

The demolition of the Crown building and the sorting office marks an important milestone as it represents the end of clearance works on the site and opens it up to views of the newly refurbished General Gordon Square.

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In my opinion

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OVER the past 10 years I have worked to open up the beautiful game of football to the disabled community that inspires me so much. No-one has been excluded from playing with the South London Special League (SLSL). Inclusion is what we do, however tricky! Take a trip to Long Lane JFC, a great club where we are made so welcome. We offer league tournaments for every different age and ability levels, girls and boys, men and women. You will almost certainly be humbled by the affect this has on so many people. Disabled people are that way because we, the "able" (are we really?) community, has designed it that way. With more inclusive thinking there would be no barriers to inclusion, nor the prejudice that they experience. We are all just people! As time went on, we were overwhelmed by the success of our project. We became established and thousands of players improved their lives through sport. With the Olympics and Paralympics on the horizon we are promoting sport in general and particularly sport

inspired by the 2012 Games. We are extremely grateful to Greenwich Leisure Limited (GLL) for helping to transform our dream into reality, to open up sporting opportunities to disabled players, previously unheard of. Already our Powerchair Football Club trains at the Waterfront Leisure Centre and competes in the National League. Our young disabled players can go into school on Monday mornings and feel empowered as they, too, can talk about their football match on the weekend. This is inspirational! It is sadly ironic that in this coming Olympic year the SLSL is in danger of closing after losing funding from the Football Foundation. So many disabled people have been empowered through sport and particularly football because of this organisation. We have made a difference. We would be sorely missed. Is it time to question why? It has been an amazing 10 years and thank you to all who have helped make it that way. It is a VERY Special League!

Sharon Brokenshire.
SLSL

Could you mentor a vulnerable adult?

ARE you the type of person who could offer one-to-one support to a vulnerable adult in the community? Volunteer Centre Greenwich, in partnership with the Greenwich Association of Disabled People (GAD), has started a Supported Volunteering Project to find local mentors.

Vulnerable adults include people who have been out of work for some time and may have suffered a knock to their self esteem. The project is also for disabled people and anyone with additional support needs. Mentors will be provided to people who want support to access volunteering and

training opportunities along with gaining personal experience. All mentors will be trained to Level 1 interpersonal skills with the opportunity to take Level 2. They will also take part in job search skills workshops for themselves and their mentees. Other training courses can

include emergency First Aid and food hygiene. If you feel you could benefit from this opportunity and live in Woolwich Riverside, Woolwich Common, Glyndon, Plumstead, Abbey Wood, Middle Park and Sutcliffe, please call 020-8853 1331 or email svp@volunteersgreenwich.org.

Lots more chips off the old block

Men in Sheds celebrate their first birthday...

by Peter Cordwell

THE Eltham project that beat no fewer than 532 others to win a prestigious UK award has celebrated its first birthday with even more chips off the old block.

Men in Sheds, based at Progress Hall in Admiral Seymour Road and launched a year ago by DIY celebrity Tommy Walsh, plucks skilled men out of retirement to socialise and maybe use their skills for the good of the community.

It's worked a treat. As well

as spreading their talents, members of the borough's top splinter group have become firm friends and more bevelled individuals.

Seventy-year-old Tony Dowsett, who lives nearby and goes three times a week, told GT: "My blood pressure's gone down, my stress level's gone down, and it's something to get up for in the morning."

"My wife read about this in Greenwich Time and is glad to get me out of the house. It's been a fantastic year. We've done loads of bits and pieces, including wheelchair ramps and a garden for Turning Pages Community Centre in Nesbit Road. We've also just made a chicken coop at the Samuel Montagu Youth Centre in Kidbrooke. We've just finished the decking here at the hall and we're also concreting the path"

Tony was an HGV mechanic for 30 years and spent his last

10 years as a council binman. He said: "We all get on well. There's no argumentative people among us. If someone says you're doing something wrong you don't argue, you just listen and agree how to do it."

"Irish in Greenwich run a lunch club here on a Thursday and some of us join them for a cooked meal and their people pop in to ask us to do things. One disabled bloke asked me to mend the chair he needs in his bathroom and that's job satisfaction."

The pocket dynamo behind the scheme is Age Concern Greenwich's Pauline Cahill. The project manager said: "It's incredible how successful it has been but it's the sheer joy of the project that matters most. The guys are wonderful."

● To find out more about Men in Sheds call Pauline on 020 8294 3017



FEELING CHIPPER:
Tony Dowsett gets
down to some
woodwork

SHED LOAD OF FUN:
members of the
award-winning
team that meets
in Eltham and
does voluntary
work in the area,
left, and above
left, Shedmen
Terry Oliver and
John Coghan in
the workshop

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Great outdoors

Woolwich estate's new gym for Olympic legacy

RESIDENTS of Nightingale Vale in Woolwich look set to become super fit after the arrival of a new outdoor gym.

The equipment has been provided by the Olympic Delivery Authority (ODA) as an Olympic legacy gift, while work on the Games' shooting and archery venue continues nearby on Woolwich Common.

The gym has seven different pieces of equipment including a rowing machine, dip bars, a walker and a pull down press.

Some expert advice on how to use it was provided last weekend when privates Daniel Benton and Matt Radley – both physical training instructors from the Royal Artillery at Woolwich Barracks – went along to run a coaching session.

They were joined by Cllr Steve Offord, Greenwich Council's cabinet member for housing. Cllr Offord said: "We wrote to everyone on the estate, asking for their views on where the gym should be sited."

"There was a very good response - about 200 replied. It's here for people to use, rather than having to pay to go to a gym."

"These outdoor gyms are a tremendous innovation, and it's good for everyone that they have one here."

Residents were delighted with the new equipment. Mahamed Muday, who was using it for the first time, said: "It's beautiful - I desperately need to get fit, and I will use it." Owie Iyoha said: "I used to go to the outdoor gym in Sutcliffe Park, and I don't need to now. I'll be using it all the time." And Atul Desai said: "It's very good and very much needed. It's great for me, and I'll try to use it every morning."

Resident Dizzy Cook came up with the idea for the gym at an open meeting with the ODA. He said: "I went to them and suggested it after speaking to people on the estate. It was put in only one month after the ODA had a public meeting at the



HEAVE HO: Nightingale Vale residents are put through their paces, (above and below). And bottom left, it's wheely fun...

Community Centre. I think the ODA and the council have done a fantastic job."

• **LOOK** out for more legacy stories coming up in future editions of GT.



Missing boy

POLICE are appealing for information after a 16-year-old was reported missing.

Aiden O'Brien-Daniel has been missing since November 8. He was last seen at his home address in Abbey Wood between 12pm and 1pm.

Aiden is white, slim build, 5ft 8ins tall and has short blond hair. It is not known what Aiden was wearing at the time

of going missing. Police believe that he frequents the boroughs of Bexley, Greenwich and Lewisham. Officer in the case Rhianne Trill from the Plumstead Missing Person Unit said: "Aiden is a very vulnerable young man. His grandparents are growing increasingly concerned about his welfare."



MISSING FOR A MONTH: police are increasingly concerned about 16-year-old Aiden

• Anyone with information should call the Plumstead Missing Person Unit on 020 8284 7712 or Plumstead Police station on 101.

Borough BRIEFS

Talk to Met police chief

MET police commissioner, Bernard Hogan-Howe will be talking to residents in three SE London boroughs tomorrow evening (Wednesday, December 7).

Residents from Greenwich, Southwark, and Lewisham can learn about his vision for London and share their thoughts and ideas with him.

The event at Lewisham College, Lewisham Way, SE4 1UT, runs from 7pm - 8pm. Places are limited so residents have to register their attendance by emailing meetthecommissioner@met.police.uk with their name, email address and name of organisation if they represent one. Or you can call us to register on 020 7161 0111.

Marine Reserve receives honour

MARINE Reservist Sergeant Dan Harris was presented with a medal for his services in Afghanistan at the Lord Mayor's Show in the City of London last month. The 38-year-old from Blackheath has been a reservist for 10 years. London's Royal Naval Reserve unit provided the Guard of Honour at the show and Sgt Harris was one of ten Royal Marine who were publicly honoured for their recent service.



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JACKIE STEIN, Charlton: 'After tennis practice I took this snap of my son climbing one of the oldest tress in Greenwich Park'

Dismayed but still determined

WE wondered if you would have space to advertise Avery Hill Park's Christmas event at their new cafe on December 10, from 1pm-3pm? Thanks to funding from Mayor Boris's 'Help a London Park' award, the Friends of Avery Hill Park have organised entertainers, festive songs, mulled wine



and mince pies for our last event of the year. Unfortunately,

we discovered today to our dismay that the advertising banner we paid good money for has been stolen and another one ripped. You can imagine how we felt to see Londoners' money wasted in this way! Knowing how Greenwich Time prefers to report "positive news" we wondered if there was

any way you could help us advertise our event?

**Bee Twidale, secretary,
Friends of Avery Hill
Park**

● SPACE was tight, Bee, but hope this letter helps - and maybe you could even raffle the Star Letter prize to raise some extra funds. Avery Hill Park cafe is supported by the council and we hope you have a great day. Ed

OUR Star Letter writer will win two tickets to a Charlton Athletic match at The Valley, so get writing! For information on 2010/11 season tickets please visit www.cafc.co.uk or call 0871 226 1905.



Woolwich shooting range is an eyesore

I QUOTE from the November 15 issue of Greenwich Time: "The innovative design contrasts excellently to the historic setting of the Royal Artillery Barracks."

I beg to differ. The modernistic structures are a complete and utter eyesore and completely out of character with the barracks. I sincerely hope

that these monstrosities are dismantled and taken away as soon as the Games have finished - as I believe to be the case.

K. B. Sutherland, Eltham

● WE can confirm that the buildings are temporary and only have planning consent from the council for the Games. Ed

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THERE were some show-stopping performances from down the decades at the Tramshed theatre when a youth theatre group celebrated its 40th anniversary.

Greenwich and Lewisham Young People's Theatre performed at the Woolwich theatre for presentations of theatre, dance and performance. Current youth theatre members, Masterclass students and professional actors from recent GLYPT projects came together to perform a number of shows from the previous four decades the theatre group have been active. A selection of guest speakers also shared their memories from their time with the GLYPT.

Artistic Director, Jeremy James said: "For more than 40 years GLYPT has run an exciting range of drama and arts workshops for young people as well as theatre productions for schools and young audiences across the borough of Greenwich and beyond. We're delighted to have been able to celebrate this achievement with an evening of performances telling the story of the GLYPT through excerpts of past productions - performed by a wide range of people connected with the GLYPT."

● For information on GLYPT visit www.glypt.co.uk

Young actors on the stage for 40 years



AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION: young GLYPT performers present 'Titanic' in 1988, told with modern themes to bring it up to date

Much to do for young people

YOUNG people can learn new skills and discover hidden talents at a series of activities taking place over the next few months. They include:

- Trinity Laban Young Dance Ambassadors for 15-19s looking for experience in dance and arts management. Apply for a place by December 23. Contact Louisa Pestell email: l.pestell@trinitylaban.ac.uk
- Technical Theatre Apprenticeships at the National Theatre for over 18s. Work in the technical department and learn about the role of a theatre technician. Deadline is December 9, visit www.nationaltheatre.org.uk/apprenticeships
- Gymnastics, Greenwich Mencap is hosting free, two-hour sessions for 12-18 year olds with a learning disability. Try new sports and team games at Thamesmead Leisure Centre, Saturdays 2.15pm-4.15pm. Call Natalie to arrange an assessment of your child's care needs on 020 8305 2245.
- Details of more for young people at www.greenwich.gov.uk/teenagers

Youth expression

by Dick Townsend-Smith

Young people get to have their say

YOUNG people representing different schools and organisations in Greenwich came together to spend a day celebrating their achievements.

The event was Greenwich Young People's Council's (GYPC) annual Y-Factor event, held at the Eltham Professional Development Centre on Friday, November 25. It attracted more than 120 school council members, mainly from secondary schools and colleges, but also from primaries and schools for children with disabilities.

Its Chair Freya Miller, 17, joined GYPC two years ago. She said: "The aim of the day is to get people talking about services for young people in Greenwich and opening the dialogue between them and the adults who make decisions about things that affect young people."

"The most important bit was seeing all the young people talking about their achievements and giving a positive view of young people in the borough."

The event opened with the launch of a mental health campaign that GYPC had been working on. It was followed



SERIOUS MATTERS: Young people debate important issues at this year's Y-Factor

by a series of workshops showcasing what different groups had been involved with, and what they had achieved over the last year. Groups represented include Our Lives Matter, the Children In Care Council, Greenwich Young People's Council, and the Young Inspectors. There were also workshops about schools councils and getting more involved with them.

Freya added: "The way ahead for us is, hopefully, to get people enthusiastic in the politics of Greenwich and making it a better place for

people to grow up. And also to find out how decisions are made and how they can have an influence."

The event was co-organised with members The Children's Society, who are commissioned by the council to support GYPC. Guest adults at the day included representatives from the police, the health services, companies, and officers from Greenwich Council.

Also present was Cllr Jackie Smith, the council's cabinet member for children and young people, who said: "This event showed very convincingly

that many of our talented young people have some excellent ideas and a great deal to offer in terms of making Greenwich a better place in which to live and grow up."

● Young people were asked for their ideas to help two organisations that have just been chosen by the council to run activities for young people. Charlton Athletic Community Trust will provide local youth services, and Futureversity will be leading next year's summer activity programme.

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Police launch Christmas crime prevention campaign

POLICE will be out on the streets giving crime prevention advice to help prevent burglaries and theft of property in the run up to Christmas.

The crime prevention days have been organised by Greenwich Police in partnership with Greenwich Council as part of a month-long campaign.

The aim is to spread crime prevention advice about burglaries, vehicle crime, robberies and theft in order to raise awareness.

Officers from local Safer Neighbourhoods teams will target areas on their wards most affected by property crime.

Woolwich Common Safer Neighbourhoods team and Woolwich Riverside Safer Neighbourhoods team will be in General Gordon Square and outside Woolwich Dockyard BR station on Thursday, December 8 to give crime prevention advice and information packs regarding robberies and personal theft. The pack includes a purse cable that can be tied to the inside of a bag plus crime prevention literature.

Police from Greenwich West Safer Neighbourhoods team will be at the Greenwich BR and DLR station on Friday, December 9, to give out burglary prevention packs and advice. The burglary packs include a UV marker pen and literature about protecting homes.

Officers from the Greenwich Peninsula team will be in Bugsby's Way on the same day to give residents advice on how to prevent theft from their vehicles. The pack includes stickers, air fresheners and literature on how to protect vehicles from opportunistic thieves.

Chief Inspector Cliff Eager said: "Officers will be on the streets of the borough to distribute the packs and provide assistance to anyone who wishes to chat with them about crime prevention. We want to spread the message about protecting valuables and properties. If we get smarter, we can make life difficult for those who are out there ready to burgle your home or take your phone."

● There are 17 Safer Neighbourhoods teams in Greenwich. If you wish to contact any of the teams directly or need a visit from an officer in order to receive crime prevention advice, please call the teams. Their contact details are available on the Met's website on http://content.met.police.uk/Page/TeamFinder?scope_id=1257246763889



New deal gives support for the Olympic legacy programme

LEISURE facilities in the borough will benefit from "significant investment" over the next 15 years even as Greenwich Council makes an annual savings of £250,000.

The savings come under the new long-term leisure management contract awarded by the council to Greenwich Leisure Limited (GLL), starting on January 1.

The new investment will deliver an outstanding Olympic legacy for Greenwich residents through new facilities and investing in the existing leisure centres.

The new partnership will provide £250,000 savings while delivering a higher quality of leisure service, ensuring the council gets more for less.

The contract incorporates all the leisure centres, the five adventure play sites, Southmere Boating Centre, Hornfair Park BMX track and Charlton Lido. It will lead to greater service integration through GLL's established partnership network.

The Greenwich Card and Greenwich Higher Saver Card schemes will be retained, offering discount savings to Greenwich residents at leisure centres.

Council leader Chris Roberts told GT: "In awarding the new leisure management contract the council can achieve significant capital investment to support the Olympic legacy programme

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JACK OF DIAMONDS: members of GLL's Wellness Club enjoy a game of bowls, and top, another club member gets a work-out

by investment in new facilities and in the existing leisure centres. The contract will provide a continuation of leisure management provision which will be delivered, as already shown, to a high standard. The council looks forward to working with GLL over the next 15 years in improving the management of the borough's leisure service even further."

GLL managing director Mark Sesnan said: "We are delighted to have won the re-tender which is a strong vote of confidence for the work we have done in the borough to date, and the quality of service we offer leisure users."

"Recognising harsh economic

conditions, we have significantly reduced our management fees, thus ensuring the council will get even better value for money.

"This new 15-year partnership agreement sees our long-standing association with the borough expanded and diversified, allowing us to apply our commitment to excellence in public service to a broader range of areas than ever before.

"We are now ideally placed to implement a long-term strategy that will see significant investment in Greenwich's leisure facilities over the coming decade and beyond."

Fun for all at South Rise allotment opening

CHILDREN worked alongside the grown-ups when South Rise Primary School in Plumstead held the grand opening of the school's allotment.

It was one of several activities held by the school in Brewery Road, designed to help children understand more about healthy eating and enjoy growing plants themselves.

'Get Your Grown Ups Growing' and was run as part of a Royal Horticultural Society scheme with Jim Bliss, RHS regional education officer, on hand to give advice.

"The event was a great success," said outdoor learning teacher Andrea Rantel. "We had around 100 children with their parents or carers planting spring

bulbs to take home and grow. "It was a great opportunity for the school community to get together and learn about growing and caring for plants. The tomato chutney made from tomatoes grown in the allotment and made by South Rise pupils was very popular, and we are looking forward to growing more fruit and veg in the coming season as it really

encourages our children to eat more healthily."

Pupils also gave the event their seal of approval. "I liked getting my hands dirty in the soil, and I gave the bulbs to my mum as a present," said Chiamaka from Year 2. And Harry, also from Year 2, said: "I am going to water my bulb and make sure it gets lots of sun so it can grow huge."

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YOUNG people baked cakes for their special guests when a new kitchen was declared officially open at the Community Green day centre in Woolwich last month.

The centre in Peace Street, is run by Greenwich Council for young people with learning difficulties. Its new kitchen was donated by Premiere Kitchens, and fitted at no charge by Apollo, the council's partner contractors for its Decent Homes programme.

Parents, friends, carers and guests tasted cakes and snacks made in the new kitchen.

Cllr Peter Kotz, Greenwich Council's cabinet member for performance review and value, told them: "It's great news that Apollo and Premiere have worked together to fit the new kitchen at Community Green, I'm sure that all the service users will enjoy using the new facilities. It's good to see true collaboration between the council and its partners like Apollo and Premiere doing so much with the local community."

True cupboard love!



EVERYTHING WITH THE KITCHEN SINK: centre users in new kitchen with Cllr Peter Kotz and reps from Apollo and Premiere

Borough BRIEFS

New charity shop appeal

THE British Heart Foundation is opening its 700th store on Tuesday, December 13, at Hare Street in Woolwich, and its organisers need your help.

They are appealing for unwanted furniture and electrical goods so that the charity can raise funds to continue its life-saving work. Items needed include suites, sofas, chairs, dining sets, beds and wardrobes, plus electrical items such as TVs, Hi-Fis, washing machines, fridges and dishwashers. All need to be in good condition.

Area Manager Mike Giblin said: "With the support of the Woolwich community, we are hoping to make this new furniture and electrical store a huge success. We need to fill it with donated goods before we open, so we are urging people to have a clear-out and to book a free collection with us." To book a collection call the store on 0844 248 9169 or do it online at bhf.org.uk/collection

A class act

Under 3s nursery scores top marks in all areas

by Dick Townsend-Smith

OUTSTANDING in every way – that was the verdict on the under-3s part of a Greenwich nursery following an Ofsted inspection in October.

Provision for under-3s at the Rachel McMillan Nursery in McMillan Street gained full marks for its policies and procedures and the way it safeguards and develops its 32 children.

The Ofsted inspector described the children as "animated, happy and enjoying a wonderful foundation for their learning in a vibrant and highly inclusive setting." She added: "The leadership and staff are committed to improving even further the exceptionally high standards."

The inspector spent a day at the school, which began as a nursery nearly 100 years ago, and talked to headteacher Theresa Lane and her staff.

Deputy headteacher Rachel Hogarth said: "The under-3s takes children from three months old, and the inspector commented that our policy on safeguarding children

struck a wonderful balance between keeping them safe and protected, but allowing them to take sensible risks when playing. She said there was a rich and varied learning experience, and we allowed the children to follow their individual interests.

"We achieved an 'outstanding' on everything we could be judged on, and the 16 staff have worked incredibly hard to get this. We are constantly looking at ways to improve what we do, and the staff see themselves as being there to learn as much as the children are there to learn."

The nursery school is run by Greenwich Council, and also takes children aged three and four. It also has an integrated children's centre for families and children, which runs services such as playgroups and drop-in sessions to help families with languages and healthy living, and holds courses for parents on healthy eating.

Cllr Jackie Smith, the council's cabinet member for children and young people, said: "The staff at Rachel McMillan should be congratulated on achieving such a fine Ofsted report."

Harvesting new friends

YOUNGSTERS delivering harvest festival produce to an old people's home discovered former pupils from their school. Members of the school council at Mulgrave Primary School visited Bill Walden Sheltered Accommodation in Wellington Street, Woolwich, last month. During the visit they were thrilled to discover that some of the residents went to Mulgrave back

in the 30s and that some of their children and grandchildren had also attended the school. Year 6 pupil Rebecca Shogule said: "It was a really good opportunity for us to meet the local residents. I enjoyed talking to them and getting to know who they are and look forward to visiting again to get to know more about their lives." School councillor Keren Agymany in Year 2 said:

"I liked it because all the people were nice and they said hello to everybody. Also I like them calling me a 'Smiler' and taking pictures because they said I had a beautiful smile." The school choir hopes to visit the home this week and there are also plans for the School Council to visit again to learn more about the local history of Woolwich and maybe invite the residents into school.

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Nicola on 020 8921 5572

Plumbridge Street

CHRISTMAS MARKET

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Dates: Saturday 10th December (11am - 3.30pm)
Sunday 11th December (11am - 3.30pm)

Address: Plumbridge Street SE10 8PE

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Greenwich Kitchen
Cakes and Coffee
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Exhibition
Artistic Impression of Plumbridge Street SE10

Bring this flyer along for a free hot chocolate or mulled wine & mince pies

THE SOUTH GATE SE10

Greenwich Council

Lace-makers' seasonal showcase

BEAUTIFUL items decorated in handcrafted lace are on display at a special festive exhibition this month.

Members of the Eltham Lacemakers have work on display at the Eltham Centre in Archery Road, Eltham, to celebrate the Christmas season.

A collection of lace decorated Christmas cards, trees, angels and a nativity scene are on display in a foyer cabinet in the latest of the centre's monthly exhibitions by local artists.

by Grace Lipski

Iris Griffin, Secretary of Eltham Lacemakers explained: "Our group has been running for over a decade. We started 12 years ago as a general interest course with Greenwich Community College at Gordon School in Eltham. After the class closed we continued it privately in Progress Hall with about 15 long-standing members."

She added: "When we first started most of us were new to the craft of lace making. But over time we've

become avid fans of the craft. Lacemaking is a dying art. We're delighted to keep the knowledge of lacemaking alive through our works."

The group go away for two weekends a year to meet with other lace makers at fairs around the country and compare their works. Their usual items of choice would be doilies, table mats and table edgings.

● **Blackheath Choral Society** will sing seasonal favourites at the centre on Saturday, December 10 from 11.30am-12.10pm.

Royal visit treat for Eltham club members

MEMBERS from an Eltham club for senior citizens enjoyed the royal treatment when they were taken on a day out last month.

The lucky 30 members of the Turning Pages Community Centre on Nesbit Road went on a riverboat lunch cruise as part of a day out to Windsor. Lee Abbott, chairperson of the Turning Pages Community Centre, said: "At the centre, we aim to empower local people, and offer a range of

experiences that may not otherwise be available. We all had a great day, and the weather even held out for us". The centre runs activities for all ages including use of prebooked free internet access. A Christmas lunch for older residents on the Page Estate is currently in the planning. If you would like to know about what's happening at the centre or would like to get involved please call Lee Abbott on 020 8859 7925.

London Borough of Greenwich Town & Country Planning (Development Management Procedure)(England) Order 2010 Planning (Listed Buildings & Conservation Areas) Act 1990 (AS AMENDED) Planning (Listed Buildings & Conservation Areas) Regulations 1990 (AS AMENDED) Town & Country Planning (Control of Advertisements) Regulations 2007 (AS AMENDED)

Notice is hereby given that application(s) have been made to The London Borough of Greenwich in respect of the under mentioned premises/sites. You can see the submissions and any plans during the hours of 9.00am to 4.30pm Monday to Thursday and 9.00am to 4.00pm on Fridays at -

Woolwich Public Library, Woolwich Centre, 21 Love Lane, SE18 6QT
or at the library shown between normal opening hours.

If development proposals affect Conservation Areas and/or Statutorily Listed Buildings under of the Planning (Listed Building and Conservation Area) Act 1990 (As Amended) this will be shown within the item below.

Anyone who wishes to comment on these applications should be made in writing to Development Planning within 21 days of the date of this notice.

Please quote the appropriate reference number.

Date: 03/12/2011

Steve Pallett - Chief Planning Officer

Publicity For Planning Applications

Applicant: Mr M Thakrar S.K.Thakrar & Co
113 WOOLWICH HIGH STREET, WOOLWICH, LONDON, SE18 6DN
Development: Erection of a first and second floor rear extension and conversion of upper floors into two self contained flats.
Drawing Numbers: 331-100, 331-101, 331-201, 331-202, 331-203, 331-204, 331-301, 331-302, 331-303, 331-400, 331-401, 331-500, 331-604 (Photos), Site Location Plan and Design and Access Statement.
Library: Woolwich Public Library, Woolwich Centre, 21 Love Lane, Woolwich, SE18 6QT
Conservation Area:

11/2385/F

Applicant: Mr T Brown
2 LANSDOWNE MEWS, CHARLTON, LONDON, SE7 8AZ
Development: Erection of 3 storey building to provide 17 residential flats (9 x 1-bed, 7 x 2-bed, 1 x 3-bed) and 4 semi-detached town houses (4 x 3-bed) with associated landscaping and car parking.
Drawing Numbers: 10062/001 PL (Site Location Plan), 005 PL, 010 PL, 011 PL, 012 PL, 013 PL, 014 PL, 015 PL, 016 PL, 020 PL, 021 PL, 022 PL, 025 PL, Planning Statement, Energy Statement, Planning Obligations Supplementary Planning Document S189 (Drafts), Tree Survey Report, Phase 1 Habitat Survey Report and Design and Access Statement.
Library: East Greenwich Library, Woolwich Road SE18 0UL
Conservation Area:

11/2751/F

Applicant: Mrs Hoang
8 KINGS ORCHARD, ELTHAM, LONDON, SE9 5TJ
Development: Extension of a rear conservatory and new front porch.
Drawing Numbers: 2011/189 and Design & Access Statement.
Library: Eltham Library, Eltham High Street SE9 2HA
Conservation Area: ELTHAM PALACE

11/2590/F

Applicant: Virgin Media
HUB, END GARAGE, GARAGE BLOCK, FLINTMILL CRESCENT, KIDBRIDGE, SE3 8LZ
Development: Installation of new security fencing around existing telecommunications. 14b.
Drawing Numbers: F/001, Site Location plan and Design and Access Statement.
Library: Eltham Library, 2 Archery Road SE9 1HA
Conservation Area: PROGRESS ESTATE

11/2768/F

Applicant: Mr James Dixon
55 GREENWICH SOUTH STREET, GREENWICH, LONDON, SE10 8NT
Development: Installation of two timber windows and enlargement of front lightwell and installation of timber patio doors and enlargement of rear lightwell.
Drawing Numbers: Allocated No.001, 002, 003, 004, 005, 006, 007, Design and Access Statement, Site Block Plan and Site Plan.
Library: West Greenwich Library, Greenwich High Road SE10 8NN
Conservation Area: WEST GREENWICH

11/2600/F

Applicant: Ms Frances Lemmon
38 BUSHMOOR CRESCENT, PLUMSTEAD, LONDON, SE18 3EF
Development: Replacement of existing windows with new double glazed windows.
Drawing Numbers: Allocated Drawing nos. 01, 02, 03, Photo 001, Site location plan and Email dated 18 November 2011.
Library: Woolwich Public Library, Woolwich Centre, 21 Love Lane, Woolwich, SE18 6QT
Conservation Area: SHREWSBURY PARK ESTATE

11/2770/F

Applicant: Ms Caroline Welch
LAND ADJACENT TO 3 HYDE VALE, GREENWICH, SE10
Development: Change of use from Light Industrial to Residential including repositioning of vehicle access gates in front boundary wall and formation of new handstanding.
Drawing Numbers: Allocated No. 001, 002, 003, 004 and Design & Access Statement.
Library: West Greenwich Library, Greenwich High Road SE10 8NN
Conservation Area: WEST GREENWICH

11/2665/F

Applicant: Mr Anthony Hall
244 WELL HALL ROAD, ELTHAM, LONDON, SE9 6ST
Development: Replacement of existing front door with new UPVC / Composite front door.
Drawing Numbers: Photo: 01, 02, Site location plan and Design and Access Statement.
Library: Eltham Library, 2 Archery Road SE9 1HA
Conservation Area: PROGRESS ESTATE

11/2808/F

Applicant: Mrs G. Ali
15 WARWICK TERRACE, PLUMSTEAD, LONDON, SE18 1QJ
Development: Change of use of premises to hot food take away (Class A5).

11/2672/F

Applicant: Jennings Racing Ltd
E. COOMES LTD., 3 GREENWICH CHURCH STREET, GREENWICH, LONDON, SE10 9BJ
Development: Painting of shop front including fascia sign.
Drawing Numbers: 051/11/01a, Design, Heritage & Access Statement, 5 x photographs and site plan.
Library: West Greenwich Library, Greenwich High Road SE10 8NN
Conservation Area: WEST GREENWICH
Listed Building: Grade 2

11/2583/L

Applicant: Mr & Mrs Bush
8 HYDE VALE, GREENWICH, LONDON, SE10 8QH
Development: Installation of a 7 panel solar photovoltaic system to the main roof valley and a 20 tube solar thermal hot water system on the flat roof of the rear addition.
Drawing Numbers: 0003, 005, 006, Heritage Statement, Design & Access Statement, Technical Specification, Block Plan and Site Location Plan.
Library: West Greenwich Library, Greenwich High Road SE10 8NN
Conservation Area: WEST GREENWICH

11/2734/F

Applicant: Ms C. Welch
LAND ADJACENT TO 3 HYDE VALE, GREENWICH, SE10
Development: Repositioning of vehicle access gates in front boundary wall and formation of new handstanding.
Drawing Numbers: Allocated No.001, 002, 003, 004 and Design & Access Statement.
Library: West Greenwich Library, Greenwich High Road SE10 8NN
Conservation Area: WEST GREENWICH
Listed Building: Grade 2

11/2666/L

Applicant: Trustees of Morden College
114-116 OLD WOOLWICH ROAD, GREENWICH, LONDON, SE10 9PR
Development: Renewal of Planning Permission Ref: 08/3065/F and Conservation Area Consent Ref: 08/3066/C both dated 17/04/09 for the demolition of existing buildings and construction of a 3-storey block of 4 residential flats and 2 single storey units providing 149 square metres of D1 use.
Drawing Numbers: 729/04, 07, 08, 09 Rev A, 10, 11 and 12.
Library: East Greenwich Library, Woolwich Road SE10 0UL
Conservation Area: EAST GREENWICH

11/2742/RT

Applicant: Mr & Mrs Bush
8 HYDE VALE, GREENWICH, LONDON, SE10 8QH
Development: Installation of a 7 panel solar photovoltaic system to the main roof valley and a 20 tube solar thermal hot water system on the flat roof of the rear addition.
Drawing Numbers: 0003, 005, 006, Heritage Statement, Design & Access Statement, Technical Specification, Block Plan and Site Location Plan.
Library: West Greenwich Library, Greenwich High Road SE10 8NN
Conservation Area: WEST GREENWICH
Listed Building: Grade 2

11/2735/L

Applicant: Mr J. Jeffrey
56 GLENLUCE ROAD, BLACKHEATH, LONDON, SE3 7SB
Development: Installation of front and side dormer windows.
Drawing Numbers: 3079-01 Rev A, 3079-02 Rev A, Design & Access Statement and Site Plan.
Library: Blackheath Library, Old Dover Road, Blackheath, SE3 7BT
Conservation Area: WESTCORBE PARK

11/2745/F

Applicant: Jennings Racing Ltd
E. COOMES LTD., 3 GREENWICH CHURCH STREET, GREENWICH, LONDON, SE10 9BJ
Development: Installation of a non-illuminated hand painted fascia sign.
Drawing Numbers: 051/11/01a, Design, Heritage & Access Statement, 5 x photographs and site plan.
Library: West Greenwich Library, Greenwich High Road SE10 8NN
Conservation Area: WEST GREENWICH

11/2584/A

Applicant: Mr Terence Macey
14 MANOR WAY, BLACKHEATH, LONDON, SE3 9EF
Development: Construction of a single storey rear extension (Residential).
Drawing Numbers: SE3/119-001, Allocated Drawing Number: 01, Design & Access Statement, Planning Statement and Site Location Plan.
Library: Eltham Library, 2 Archery Road SE9 1HA
Conservation Area: BLACKHEATH PARK

11/2748/F

Applicant: Powell and Company Solicitors
VERBRUGGENS HOUSE, NO 1 STREET, WOOLWICH, LONDON, SE18 6GH
Development: Retrospective consent for the installation of one externally illuminated fascia sign.
Drawing Numbers: SIGN/VERB/001, Allocated Drawing No. 001, Dec 001, Photo 1, Photo 2 and Site Location Plan.
Library: Woolwich Public Library, Woolwich Centre, 21 Love Lane, Woolwich, SE18 6QT
Conservation Area: ROYAL ARSENAL WOOLWICH

11/2690/A

Applicant: Mr Robert Tooker Page Estate
20 VANBRUGH PARK, BLACKHEATH, LONDON, SE3 7AF
Development: Installation of raised decking area and access steps from rear upper ground floor to garden level.
Drawing Numbers: 844/200 Rev A, 201 Rev A, 202 Rev A, Design & Access Statement, Tree Report, Road Risk Map and Site plan.
Library: Blackheath Library, Old Dover Road, Blackheath, SE3 7BT
Conservation Area: BLACKHEATH

11/2749/F

Tax Credit changes for couples with children

WORKING Tax Credit (WTC) provides extra financial help for people in full-time work (for 16 or more hours a week). From April 2012 couples with children will need to work for 24 hours a week between them (with one working at least 16 hours) to get WTC. Currently couples with children only need to be working for 16 hours a week to qualify. Couples who currently receive WTC but work for less than 24 hours a week will no longer be entitled to this help from April. Greenwich Council is alerting residents about

the change now so that people who may be affected can take steps to try to increase their hours if possible in order to retain entitlement to WTC next year. Remember: even if you are working for 16 hours and your partner gets a part-time job for 8 hours a week, you will still qualify for WTC. The changes affect couples with children. Lone parents will continue to qualify if they are working for 16 hours or more. ● To check if you may be able to claim WTC or any other entitlements

(such as help towards your rent or council tax), please contact Greenwich Council's Welfare Rights Service on 020 8921 6375 (or 18001 020 8921 6375 for textphone users). Greenwich Council's website also includes information about benefits for people in work and you can contact the service using an online enquiry form. Visit www.greenwich.gov.uk/benefits To claim WTC contact the Tax Credits Helpline on 0845 300 3900 (or 0845 300 3909 for textphone users).

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A new jewel for the Crown

Demolition ends on Woolwich Central site



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The area where the buildings stood will form a new public space and an attractive entry point from the square to the new Woolwich Central development. The buildings are being knocked down in a controlled demolition with brickwork painstakingly removed piece by piece because of their close proximity to the road, nearby office blocks and the new Woolwich Central building. Demolition of the two buildings is creating hundreds of cubic feet of concrete, steel reinforcement and mixed waste. The concrete will be used to fill the existing basement, and other waste such as bricks and rubble will be recycled and re-used in further phases of the development. It includes feature brickwork from the Victorian post office

building, and some of the bricks engraved with 'VR', are being retained. Demolition work is due to be finished by the end of January. Graham Haydon White is development manager for Spenhill the developers. He said: "There is a huge amount of activity on site at the moment with five cranes towering several storeys high, the new development rising out of the ground and the demolition of the final two buildings. The demolition of the Crown Building will provide open views of the site from the recently refurbished General Gordon Square. Taken together, Woolwich Central, the revamped General Gordon Square and the new Woolwich Centre will create an impressive new centrepiece." Cllr Denise Hyland, Greenwich Council's cabinet member for



BEFORE AND AFTER: the Crown Building and the Royal Mail sorting office before the works, above, and top, how the site looked last week

regeneration, enterprise and skills said: "Woolwich Central is set to give a huge boost to the town centre along with the new council service centre and the new Woolwich squares. It's all part of our vision for the renaissance of town centre which will also bring improved transport links, new homes and jobs for local people."

**LONDON BOROUGH OF GREENWICH
ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 –
SECTION 1(4)(1)
TEMPORARY ROAD CLOSURE –
OGILBY STREET**

1. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Greenwich Borough Council intends to make an Order to accommodate utility works on Ogilby Street. The effect of the Order would be to temporarily prohibit vehicles from entering, exiting, proceeding or waiting (including waiting for the purposes of loading or unloading) in Ogilby Street, between its junctions with Francis Street and Dairy Lane.
2. The above road closure would only apply at such times and to such extent as shall be indicated by the placing of the appropriate traffic signs. Vehicular access to properties affected by these works would be maintained whenever possible subject to the extent and operations of the works.
3. Whilst the road closure is in operation, vehicular traffic would be diverted via Francis Street, Redoubt Street and Dairy Lane, and vice versa, all as directed by traffic signs.
4. The Order would come into force on 4th January 2012 and would continue in force for up to 18 months, or until the works have been completed, whichever is the sooner. However, it is expected that the works would take five days to complete.
5. Queries concerning these works should be directed to Greenwich Council's Directorate of Regeneration, Enterprise & Skills on 020 8921 6340.

Assistant Director, Strategic Transportation
The Woolwich Centre,
35 Wellington Street,
SE18 6HQ
(Dated 6th December 2011
INTERNAL REF: 103100031)

Greenwich Council

GREENWICH COUNCIL

LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972 SECTION 123

PROPOSED DISPOSAL OF OPEN SPACE

Land at Creek Road Greenwich SE10

Notice is hereby given that Greenwich Council intends to dispose a parcel of land of currently forming open space of approximately 1,700m² (0.42 acres) between Creek Road and Bardsley Lane in Greenwich SE10 to enable the construction of a mixed-use development over a wider area.

A plan showing the area of the land affected by the proposal may be inspected during normal office hours at the Directorate of Regeneration Enterprise and Skills Woolwich Centre Wellington Street Woolwich London SE18 6HQ (Ref: Gary Stevens).

No binding decision has yet been made on this proposal and any objection to the intended disposal must be made in writing and should be sent to Simon Marsh Valuation & Estates, Woolwich Centre Wellington Street Woolwich SE18 6HQ before 5.30pm on 16 December 2011

Dated the 14th November 2011

Directorate of Regeneration, Enterprise and Skills
Greenwich Council
Woolwich Centre
Wellington Street
Woolwich
London
SE18 6HQ



Jingle tills, jin

THERE are fewer than three weeks to do your Christmas shopping, and traders in the borough's high streets and market stalls are pulling out all the stops to win your business. Together with community leaders and the council they're encouraging people to shop locally rather than go to out-of-town shopping centres. And those who check out local high streets and parades will find there's lots in store.

Woolwich town centre is undergoing massive regeneration and is hosting the Woolwich Winter Warmer, a week of events and activities to showcase shops and stalls and the new-look town centre squares.

Events start this Saturday, December 10 and run from 1-6pm in General Gordon Square. There'll be music, street entertainers, reindeer, food and craft stalls and children's fairground rides, a sparkling Christmas tree. A giant Father Christmas will lead a children's lantern procession to the square where there's a spectacular finale of a sparkling Christmas tree. Shoppers who can show a receipt from a local shop or market stall can claim a free mince pie or hot chocolate subject to availability. The music and entertainment continues throughout the week from Monday December 12 to Saturday December 17 with more special screenings on the Big Screen, concerts by local choirs and children's fairground rides.

Steve Nelson, principal director of the South East London Chamber of Commerce, told GT: "Woolwich has a good variety of stores and there's good bargains to be had, both in the shops and on the market stalls. Powis Street in particular is looking good, and the market has a great buzz about it. High streets are very important to the fabric of a neighbourhood, and it's vital to support them."

"We are on the verge of real regeneration in Woolwich, and supporting its traders will make that happen."

Shopper Sue Collins, who was having a look at fairy lights for her Christmas tree in Simons store in Woolwich, told GT: "I like to shop all over the borough for the Christmas shopping. I like to go Iceland for all my food and do this fortnightly; the Woolwich store is handy because it's next to the buses. I go to Asda in Bugsby's Way for food too because it's so reasonable."

A heavily pregnant Beatrice Ugagba was headed to the local butchers to stock up on meat for Christmas. She said: "The butchers and fishmongers around here always have a good variety of produce and I enjoy buying my meat supplies here, it's very economical". She said she'd be buying her son's presents in the high street."

Give local business a boost by shopping locally this Christmas



HAPPY SHOPPERS: Geza Balla and family go in search of decorations in Woolwich town centre

Dad-of-three Ugyan Norbu said: "I come into Woolwich from Shooters Hill to shop. It's a really good place to buy lights, decorations and gifts. I do most of my shopping in Woolwich. I've got three children so I'm on the lookout for presents for them."

Hungarian couple Geza Balla and Anna Horvath are spending Christmas in the UK. Geza said: "We're looking for some Christmas lights for our son Dorian's bedroom. We live in Plumstead so we've come to Woolwich to see what we can find."

Cllr Denise Hyland, Greenwich Council's cabinet member for regeneration, enterprise and skills,

said: "The Winter Warmer marks the start of the countdown to Christmas, and promises to be a major attraction for both shoppers and visitors."

"The town centre has an excellent range of nationally famous retailers plus many smaller, independent shops as well as a thriving market. Between them, they have gift ideas for everyone, and I urge everyone to try shopping on their doorsteps and give local businesses a boost. There's also a wealth of beauty salons, nail bars and hair stylists in the town who can help make you look extra special for the Christmas partying!"



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**FREE
PARKING IN
WOOLWICH THIS
CHRISTMAS!!**
There is all-day free parking
every Saturday until Christmas
on December 10, 17 and 24
in Woolwich's Monk Street
and Calderwood Street
car parks

Lads and lasses of the lanterns!



THE run-up to Christmas kicked off in style in Greenwich last Wednesday (November 30) as schoolchildren took part in a lantern parade led by the Sea Scouts band (pictured above).

The town's sparkling Christmas lights were switched on by the Mayor, Cllr Jim Gillman, and characters from this year's Greenwich Playhouse panto Aladdin, and people joined in singing carols, and went late-night shopping.

St Alfege Church is again running its 'Advent Windows' with 24 shops, homes, pubs and schools

unveiling a different window each day. The theme this year is about welcoming more people to Greenwich as it becomes a Royal Borough and hosts events for the Olympics next year. (See Scene on p14 for full details).

Collectables, vintage clothes, antiques, artwork, and hand-made jewellery are all on offer in the town centre famous for its unique shops and historic market. And an excellent range of restaurants, food bars and pubs will help make Christmas shopping a real treat.

Information at www.shopgreenwich.co.uk

Winter Warmer
The Fun
Woolwich Back to Business
Live reindeer games on the Big Screen, and craft stalls.
Joint Father Christmas will arrive at 5.30 pm.
Free drink in exchange for shops or market stalls.
* 10 December only - subject to availability.
* Charges apply.

STREETS LIGHT UP: a giant puppet fills Powis Street in Woolwich at a past year's Winter Warmer, and right, singers at the Woolwich switch-on

Shopping for new parade tips

LOCALS can enjoy a festive market and have their say on how they would like the Greenwich South Street area developed this weekend.

Greenwich Council and the Greenwich Cooperative Development Agency has organised a community event over two days to help promote retail units in Plumbridge

Street, Greenwich. The event runs from 11am to 3.30pm on Saturday and Sunday December 10 and 11. There'll be local stalls selling a variety of crafts, goods and produce, plus mulled wine and cakes.

Ravensbourne students will be selling designer goods and a local school choir will be singing to get everyone in the Christmas spirit. Cllr Denise Hyland, the

council's cabinet member for regeneration, enterprise and skills, said: "Residents and businesses are welcome to come along and enjoy the festive spirit and purchase some Christmas presents and also have their say on the type of business they'd like to see in the area, I urge them to come along and give their views."



Cajun New Year vibes

THE Blackheath Newbridge Working Man's Club is set to be transformed into the Cajunbarn on New Year's Eve.

The night run by Lynne and Steve Lane had previously been at the Tudor Barn in Eltham. The night specialises in all things Cajun and Creole, with music on December 31 coming from the Cajun All Stars, whose accordions, fiddles, guitars and drums are to set the tempo for the evening which kicks off at 8.30pm.

Lynne and Steve have been running the not-for-profit nights for more than 10 years, booking Creole and Zydeco bands from Louisiana and Europe.

Blackheath Newbridge WMC, 22 Charlton Road, Blackheath SE3 7HG
Tickets: £15/£12.50 cons 020 8850 2893 /
lynneandstevlane@btopenworld.com

Water colour

AN Exhibition of colourful paintings called Neglected is on at the Greenwich Tourist Information Centre from January 9 to February 5. The works by local artist Chris Francis are on the theme of the 'unseen River Thames'.

The centre is open from 10am-5pm seven days a week. For more information call 0870 608 2000.

Windows 2011

- 'All around the world!'**
So Organic, 22 Nelson Road
- 'We three kings'**
Ben Oakley Gallery,
9 Turnpin Lane
- 'A tutor Christmas'**
Mevali, 17 Greenwich Church St,
- 'No gate can withstand love'**
Biscuit Ceramic Cafe,
3-4 Nelson Road
- 'Fling wide the gates'**
Meridian Primary School,
Old Woolwich Rd
- 'Fling wide the gates'**
SBS Printing, 7 Greenwich Sth St
- 'Countdown to Christmas'**
James Wolfe School, Randall Pl
- 'Step in the right direction!!'**
Pickwick Papers, 6 Nelson Rd
- 'Gates of glory'**
St Alfege + St Peter's Primary
School, Creek Rd
- 'Here comes Santa Claus!'**
213 Greenwich High Road
- 'Let parrots and angels fly'**
The Green Parrot Gallery,
73 Lassell Street
- 'Jesus the light of the world'**
88 Ashburnham Grove
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A glass act

Advent Windows back in Greenwich



TIME to start window shopping - the St Alfege's Church Advent Windows are opening all around Greenwich.

Every day of December until Christmas Eve a new arty window display will be revealed in and around the heart of SE10.

This year's theme is 'Fling Wide the Gates', and owners of shops, homes, schools and pubs have been bending their imaginations to create the living advent calendar. The windows include multimedia installations, models and paintings.

It's the fifth year the church has run the project, and all the windows are free to view. The month-long event culminates in a special service at St Alfege's Church on December 24. Seeing all of the Advent Windows usually takes around three hours on foot and some are best viewed after dusk.

Check out the map and guide (left) for more details on each of the displays.

For more details about the programme visit: www.adventwindows.com

- 'Welcome home'**,
4 Egerton Drive
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- 'Christmas Eve at St Alfege's Church'**
Greenwich Church St -
from 5pm



THE FALL never was, and never will be a democracy.

Watching Mark E Smith at the Indigo2 it's easy to see why he has been through so many line-ups. Most of his energy seems focussed on antagonising his fellow man.

Tonight it's the guitarist who bares the brunt of the singer's infamous meddling. He's barely plugged in before Smith sidles over to the amp and starts messing with it. Well-drilled and aggressive in tone, this incarnation of the band (like most the others), is an army unit as much as a band. No room for sentiment, no room for personality. It's a strange paradox that renders the line-up both completely distant from one another, and at the same time singularly solid. The soundman certainly earns his corn. Every time the singer makes a grab at one of the amps the poor chap behind the mixing desk is tasked with rectifying the on-stage changes. Sonically it makes for an interesting listen. There are times when the frontman's twist of a button enhances the dynamic. Other instances leave the guitar rinky-dinking at low volume or completely inaudible. The singer's machine-gun vocal rarely wavers from the kind of conviction that has become a bi-word for the self-confident music that invariably comes out of Manchester.

As is his wont, much of the show tonight is made up of material from the Fall's latest offering, (their 29th), Ersatz GB. The set kicks off with the energetic and typically staccato Nate Will Not Return, before Taking Off revisits the guitar drone and meandering bass of the Fall's high water mark of the late 1980s.

Smith's obstreperous demeanour has led to numerous on-stage altercations, walk-outs and disintegrations.

Indie folklore puts the number of band

Fall guy patch at

members at between 50 and 60 since Smith founded the seminal Manchester outfit in the late 1970s.

Many of the transient players who've passed through were fans before they took a sip from this most poisoned of chalices.

They bought into his unique take on the musical form, the delivery and enigmatic lyrics, on the understanding that they are expendable bit-part players on his stage.

Only his keyboard player wife, Eleni Poulou has any kind of control over his antics. And there is the whiff of an emotion that emanates from the churlish punk during their onstage exchanges. It's almost...(whisper it), tenderness. Smith's an engaging and curious frontman:



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NO PANE NO GAIN: a pair of dazzling window displays from 2010



's purple Indigo2

he's the cantankerous uncle hurling mic stands around, but also the consummate professional, never missing a line or a gig. He's not the type of bloke you imagine has, or will mellow with age. Indeed, the tall, smart-shirted frontman's appearance has changed little in three decades, and his approach less so.

His apparent disregard for human emotion means there has been no love lost, and no hard feelings to the many musicians he has cast adrift over the years. It's almost like a

socio-experiment that only he knows the meaning of. He's never going to write radio hits – and nor should he. It's his incessant work rate which has kept the Mancunian in, if not the popular conscience, the indie conscience for so long.

The only concession to populism tonight comes in last song Mr Pharmacist, and in the encore – and sometime Match of the Day backing track – Sparta F.C. Final score? Mark E Smith 1, Critics 0.

Rod Kitson

MR AND MRS:
Smith and wife
Eleni Poulou

Pic: Roger Parks

SCENE

The ATP Finals at The O2 smashed the Paris Masters into touch, says
Peter Cordwell

A game to love!

A TIP for any prospective young journalist out there: when you're asked to get vox pops in the street, look out for people standing relatively still.

If they're moving they instinctively break into a sprint when they spot you hovering with intent.

Outside The O2 for the Barclays ATP World Tour Finals, I turned on Smile B for three lovely mature ladies as they rummaged for their tickets.

It turns out they were Swiss, from Montreux, and having, they said, a big fish of a time at Greenwich's world-class arena.

"I love it because last time I saw twice Roger Federer," said their buzzing spokeslady, whose name (she spelt it for me) was Simone Jacquesmettaz. "I think this place is great, very nice," she added. "Lots of lovely eating places but even better with a Pret a Manger! We also need more information about what is going on, who wins, who's playing tomorrow, information like that."

My pigeon French was beginning to desert me but I gathered they had onze grandchildren between them. The great thing about The O2 is that you don't have to send for an ambulance. The moment you step on to the concourse the buzz begins. Alex, Terry, Little D and I were probably the only ones there – not counting Andy Murray's mum Judy and Tomas Berdych's timid girlfriend

– who also attended the Paris Masters earlier in the month.

Com-Paris-ons can be odious but in this case there is no comparison. The Palais Omnisports is Sincil Bank to the Nou Camp.

D'accord, the synchronised clapping borders on embarrassment and it'll be a long time before anyone from Kidbrooke masters the brilliantly galle "Allez-ayayaya-ooooo!" But these are minor concerns that, with intensive training, can be developed locally.

In Paris you're zapped by a little machine every time you raise your hand and, unlike The O2, you can't be trusted to take in a plastic beaker of dry white before new balls.

Sky Sports pundit Mark Petchey made another excellent point when we chewed the fat briefly earlier in the week.

He pointed out that you can also chow down on an incredible choice of food at The O2 restaurants after the final set. At Bercy, where the Paris Masters is held, you have to leave the venue if you're hankering after a snail or two. Swiss Simone's hero, Roger Federer duly subdued Frenchman Jo-Wilfried Tsonga in the final, and all we could do was wish that the late great Deptford left-hander Jason Ricketts – him of the black plimsolls and string vest – was still here to represent England with pride.

Players' Bell of the ball

IF practice really does make perfect, then the cast of *Bell, Book and Candle* at the Greenwich Playhouse must have worked tirelessly for months.

In the cosy atmospheric location, (unexpectedly above a pub), the cast gave a flawless performance.

The play, directed by Mark Giesser and produced by Alces Productions, is an old-fashioned, romantic comedy based on the 1950s Broadway hit by John Van Druten. Generally regarded as the precursor to the successful 1960s TV series, *Bewitched*, it tells the tale of a beautiful young witch from Manhattan, Gillian Holroyd (Zoe Teverson). With only fellow witches and warlocks for company, she is bored, frustrated and lonely. Secretly she toys with a radical idea: to give up her life and become mortal. With the aid of her cat, Pyewackett, she casts a spell on her neighbour, Shepherd Henderson (Stephen Cavanagh) and at once he falls deeply in love. Her impish brother, Nicky (Duncan MacInnes) is outraged, her Aunt Queenie (Carole Street) is supportive and a local author of witchcraft.

Pivotal to the play is the interaction of the leads and in particular, the immediacy of their chemistry. Both rise to the challenge on roller coasters of emotion,



BELLISSIMO: Zoe Teverson and Stephen Cavanagh

each swept to the heights and then dashed to the ground. Teverson is exceptional. Elegant and poised, her articulation is immaculate, her velvet-voice alluring and the emotional finale very touching. Cavanagh is her equal, confident and self-assured now desperately devoted, now sceptical of her skills but all the while effortlessly convincing. MacInnes, the warlock brother, makes the most of his role, mischievous and menacing but lightening the tone. Everyone plays their part, be it large, be it small and Street and Sears fit in nicely to this excellent quintet.

Space constraints notwithstanding, the staging is remarkable – elegant cushions, Art Deco sofas and a mechanical cat which meows and moves its paws, and the costumes of the era – long flowing evening gowns with white gloves to match. Giesser stays close to the original script, steering clear of the dark implications of the title – "ring the bell, close the book, quench the candle", a clear reference to excommunication. Instead what he gives us is a sparkling night out in a theatrical oasis of south-east London. 8/10

Dick Morgan

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STATUTORY NOTICE: Tuesday 6 December 2011 REDESIGNATION FROM 11-16 TO 11-19 SCHOOL

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The proposal is to expand the age range from 11 - 16 to 11 - 19 to add a Post-16 provision for students, including those with special educational needs. Under the BSF programme, the school has been designed to accommodate 150 post 16 students in a separate building.

The school currently has no Post-16 provision. In September 2012, students will be admitted into Year 12 for the first time. In September 2013 Year 13 will operate for the first time.

The current capacity of the school is 900 and the proposed capacity will be 1050. The current admission number for the school is 900 and the proposed admission number will be 1050. From September 2012, the admission number for each year is 180 for Years 7-11.

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2 Bed 2nd Floor Flat
Entry phone. Rad C/H
No Pkg. Unlifted
£82.75pw Bands A&B



Ref Number: 146585
Eglinton Road SE18
3 Bed House. Gdn
Rad C/H.
£106.27pw Bands A&B



Ref Number: 146628
Rowley House
Watergate Street SE8
2 Bed Grnd Floor Flat
Entry phone. Rad C/H.
£93.62pw Bands A&B



Ref Number: 146630
Hudson Place SE18
3 Bed House. Gdn
Rad C/H.
£99.40pw Bands A&B

Important Notice

Please note the closing date to register your bids for advertised properties will be **every Sunday at midnight.**



Ref Number: 146635
Middle Park Ave SE9
1 Bed Grnd Floor Flat
Rad C/H.
£84.18pw Bands A&B



Ref Number: 146644
Sowerby Close SE9
1 Bed 6th Floor Flat
Lifted. Entry phone
Warm Air
Pref. to Over 50s
£84.21pw Bands A&B



Ref Number: 145983
Hatton Close SE18
3 Bed House. Gdn
Rad C/H.
Pref to S/Overcrowding
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Choice hotline 020 8921 4340

GreenwichHomes

Greenwich Council's Choice Based Lettings Scheme

Anyone on the housing list can apply for these

Rsl allocations policy applies to **Housing Association** properties



L&Q Housing Trust

Ref Number: 111478
Burrage Road SE18
Bedsit 1st Floor Flat
Unlifted. Entry phone
Rad C/H. No Dogs
£68.01pw Band C



Charlton Triangle Homes

Ref Number: 145967
Shooters Hill SE18
4 Bed House.Gdn
Rad C/H. No Pets
Min. 3 Child 1 Under 16
£150.77pw Band C



Ref Number: 146306
Cowen House
Mayplace Lane SE18
2 Bed 4th Floor Flat
Lifted. Entry phone
Rad C/H. Min. 1 Child
£89.16pw Band C



Ref Number: 146637
Passfield House
Plumstead Road SE18
1 Bed 6th Floor Flat
Lifted. Entry phone
Rad C/H.
£73.63pw Band C



Ref Number: 146638
Gooding House
Valley Grove SE7
3 Bed Grnd Floor Flat
Entry phone. Gas Fire
& Rad C/H. Min 2 Child
£95.35pw Band C



Ref Number: 146709
Raymond Postgate Crt
Tawney Road SE28
2 Bed 3rd Floor Flat
Lifted. Entry phone
Rad C/H. No Dogs
£94.55pw Band C

Small is beautiful the Under Occupation scheme

If you are living in a Council property that is too big for you, we can help you to move to somewhere smaller.
The Council will pay your removal costs, and £350 for each bedroom gained.

To join the scheme you must be willing to move to a home with two bedrooms less than you have now:

- 3 bedroom to a 1 bedroom home
- 3 bedroom parlour/4 bedroom to a 1 or 2 bedroom home
- 5 bedroom to a 3 bedroom (or smaller) home

For more information contact the Project Team on

020 8921 2671

textphone: 020 8921 2996/2657

Mutual Exchange Swapping your home

Council and Housing Association
Tenants can exchange their property with another tenant. From April 2006 applicants who have registered for a mutual exchange will be able to find suitable swaps through the Greenwich Homes website

www.greenwich.gov.uk/homes.

For more information about this scheme contact the Allocations Team on

020 8921 2941

Seaside and Country Scheme

This scheme offers one and two bedroom flats and bungalows on the Coast and in the countryside, in the South East and West of England.

In order to be considered you must be:

- A Council or Housing Association tenant
- At least 60 years old (if someone is moving with you they must be over 55 years old).

Your removal costs will be met if you are a Council tenant and you do move to a Seaside and Country home. To register, or find out more about the scheme, contact the Access and Allocation section on Tel: 020 8921 2941
Textphone 020 8921 2996/2657.

If you are a Housing Association tenant you need to contact your landlord to register. Further information is available from the scheme management organisation at www.housingmoves.org

Choice hotline 020 8921 4340

GreenwichHomes

Greenwich Council's Choice Based Lettings Scheme

Sheltered / Retirement Housing

Sheltered Housing provides independence in a secure and friendly environment. Each Sheltered Scheme has a Scheme Manager who is the main source of support. There is 24 hour cover from the Telecare Service. The age criteria is over 60 years, but we can consider people over 55 years with a support need. If you are interested in Sheltered housing please ring **020 8921 2671/2685**.

All applications are subject to a Sheltered Housing Assessment.



Our current vacancies include;
(several of which are ready for immediate letting)

One Person Properties

Langton Way ,Blackheath, SE3,

Second floor; Studio Flat.

Sam Manners House, Greenwich, SE10,

Ground Floor; Studio Flat.

Two Person Properties

No Vacancies

All the above properties are lifted.

This is what happened to the homes advertised in issue 262

Address	Bed-rooms	Property Type	No of Bids	Reg date of successful app	Band
Shaftsbury Court Byron Close SE28 8AD	2	MAISONETTE	21	30/12/2009	B
Samuel Street SE18 5LL	3	HOUSE	597	02/09/2003	C
Plumstead High Street SE18 1JH	3	PARLOUR HSE	64	01/07/2010	B
Shruballs Close SE9 5QT	1	FLAT	381	18/02/2004	C
Felixstowe Road SE2 9QH	2	HOUSE	479	18/11/2005	C
Crescent House Bliss Crescent SE13 7RJ	2	FLAT	22	02/10/2011	B
Hartville Road SE18 1DQ	1	FLAT	45	04/06/2007	A
Middle Park Avenue SE9 5HT	2	FLAT	39	02/02/2011	B
The Oaks SE18 7JR	2	FLAT	12	19/11/2010	B
Rangers Square SE10 8HR	2	HOUSE	558	18/11/2004	C
Lancey Close SE7 8DN	3	HOUSE	46	24/05/2011	B
Elmley Street SE18 7NL	1	FLAT		To be allocated	
Thornham Street SE10 9SB	2	FLAT	279	10/11/2009	C
Brooks Close SE9 3JW	1	FLAT	235	12/03/2008	C
Mottisfont Road SE2 9LP	3	HOUSE	88	24/07/2009	B
Ruddstreet Close SE18 6RP	1	FLAT	404	11/01/2008	C
Long Walk SE18 3TE	1	FLAT	346	22/01/2007	C
Coltman House Welland Street SE10 9DW	2	FLAT	25	01/07/2011	B
Polthorne Grove SE18 7DU	0	FLAT	169	16/01/2009	C
Combwell Crescent SE2 9LZ	2	FLAT		No Eligible Bids	
Brinkburn Close SE2 9EJ	1	FLAT	45	07/04/2008	A
Samuel Street SE18 5LE	2	FLAT	273	24/06/2009	C
Booth Close Thamesmead SE28 8BW	3	MAISONETTE		No Eligible Bids	
Mill Court Titmus Avenue Thamesmead SE28 8BX	2	FLAT	240	08/09/2009	C
Harold Gibbons Court Victoria Way SE7 7LZ	2	FLAT		No Eligible Bids	
Fairlawn Court Fairlawn SE7 7LZ	2	FLAT	387	29/01/2008	C

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Light up the night



POWER FORCE: above left, Mayor Jim Gillman and his wife Janet do the honours with a leader from the New Wine Church, left, a close up of the nativity scene outside the church

The corner of Woolwich's John Wilson Street was set ablaze with colour when the New Wine Church switched on its festive lights last month. The switch was flicked on by Greenwich Mayor Jim Gillman accompanied by his wife Janet. Members of the church and the local community came together to enjoy the bright lights as well as a hot drink and a mince pie courtesy of the church, which traditionally hands out Christmas hampers to local people.

The Mayor said: It was great to see so many members of the church and people of Woolwich coming to experience the festivities. The Christmas lights at the New Wine Church are always spectacular and it was a pleasure to switch them on and set the Christmas atmosphere in Woolwich.

To advertise call Gaynor on 020 8921 5033 or Nicola on 020 8921 5572

LONDON BOROUGH OF GREENWICH The Greenwich (Prescribed Routes) (No. 153) Experimental Traffic Order 2011 The Greenwich (East Greenwich CPZ) (Parking Places) (No. 1) (Amendment No. 8) Experimental Order 2011

- NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Greenwich Borough Council on 2nd December 2011 made the above-mentioned Orders under section 9 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, as amended. The Orders will come into operation on 14th December 2011.
- The general effect of Orders will be, on an experimental basis:
 - to remove the width restrictions in:
 - Old Woolwich Road, outside Nos. 59 Old Woolwich Road; and
 - Banning Street, outside Nos. 3/5 Banning Street; in Banning Street;
 - to extend by 19 metres the short stay/ permit holders' parking place on the north-west side, outside Nos. 3/5 and 9/11 Banning Street; and to provide a 10 metre East Greenwich Controlled Parking Zone ("EG") short stay/ permit holders' parking place on the south-east side, adjacent to No. 2 Glean Street, for which the controlled hours would be 9.00 am to 6.30 pm on Mondays to Sundays and at which vehicles would also be permitted to wait without the requirement to display a permit for up to 2 hours with no return within 3 hours; and
 - in Old Woolwich Road:
 - to extend by 6.5 metres the short stay/ permit holders' parking place on the north-west side, outside Nos. 3/5 to 55 Old Woolwich Road; and
 - to provide 10 metres of short stay/ permit holders' parking on the south-east side, opposite No. 59 Old Woolwich Road.
- The Orders provide that in pursuance of section 10(2) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, the Assistant Director of Strategic Transportation at Greenwich Council, or some person authorised by him, may, if it appears to him or that person essential in the interests of the expedition, convenient and safe movement of traffic or for preserving or improving the amenities of the area through which any road affected by the Orders, extend, modify or suspend the Orders or any provision thereof.
- Further information may be obtained by telephoning Strategic Transportation on 020 8921 5584.
- The Orders and other documents giving more detailed particulars of the Orders are available for inspection during normal office hours until those Orders cease to have effect, at the Directorate of Regeneration, Enterprise and Skills, Strategic Transportation, Greenwich Council, The Woolwich Centre, 35 Wellington Street, SE18 6HQ.
- If any person wishes to question the validity of the Orders or of any of the provisions contained therein on the grounds that they are not within the powers conferred by the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, or that any requirement of that Act or of any instrument made under that Act has not been complied with, that person may, within six weeks from the date on which the Orders were made, apply for that purpose to the High Court.
- The Council will consider in due course whether the provisions of the Orders should be continued in operation indefinitely by means of permanent Orders made under sections 6, 45, 46, 49 and 124, as the case may be, of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984. Any person may object to the making of permanent Orders for the purpose of such indefinite continuation, within a period of six months beginning with the date on which the experimental Orders came into operation or, if the Orders are varied by another Order or Orders or modified pursuant to section 10(2) of the 1984 Act, beginning with the date on which the variation or modification of the latest variation or modification comes into operation. Any such objection must be made in writing and must state the grounds on which it is made and be sent to Greenwich Council, PO Box 485, Bemp House, 152-160 City Road, London, EC1Y 1NP (quoting reference PCL/TNO/P/10231).
- Persons objecting to any of the Orders should be aware that in view of the Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985, this Council would be legally obliged to make any comments received in response to this Notice, open to public inspection.

Assistant Director, Strategic Transportation
The Woolwich Centre,
35 Wellington Street,
SE18 6HQ

Dated 6th December 2011
(INTERNAL REF: 10231/009)

Greenwich Council



LONDON BOROUGH OF GREENWICH ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 – SECTION 14(1) TEMPORARY RESTRICTION OF WAITING – KIDBROOKE PARK ROAD AND KIDBROOKE WAY

- NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Greenwich Borough Council has made an Order to restrict the waiting by vehicles "at any time" in certain lengths of Kidbrooke Park Road and Kidbrooke Way to address safety concerns raised by Thames Valley School in respect of the likelihood of danger to the public posed by these vehicles. The affected lengths of these roads will be:
 - Kidbrooke Park Road:
 - the north-east side, from the south-east side of the access road leading to the rear of the Church of St John Fisher, Kidbrooke Park Road to a point 31.5 metres north-west of the common boundary of Nos. 145 and 147 Kidbrooke Park Road; and
 - the south-west side, from the south-eastern boundary of No. 130 Kidbrooke Park Road to a point 37.5 metres north-west of a point opposite the common boundary of Nos. 145 and 147 Kidbrooke Park Road; and
 - Kidbrooke Way, both sides, from the north-eastern kerb-line of Kidbrooke Park Road to the common boundary of No. 11 Kidbrooke Way and No. 1 Dover Patrol.
- The above waiting restrictions will only apply at such times and to such extent as shall be indicated by the placing of the appropriate traffic signs.
- The restriction of waiting specified in paragraph 1 above will not apply in relation to:
 - the loading or unloading of goods (except between 11.00 am and 6.30 pm, throughout the week where such activity will be limited to a maximum period of forty minutes);
 - persons loading or alighting from a vehicle or loading or unloading their personal luggage from a vehicle;
 - vehicles being used for ambulances, fire brigades, or police purposes; or
 - anything done with the permission or at the direction of a police constable in uniform or a traffic warden.
- The Order will come into force on 6th December 2011 and will continue in force for up to 18 months. In due course, the Council intends to consult on the making of a permanent order under section 4 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, so as to continue in operation the provisions of this Order indefinitely.
- Queries concerning these works should be directed to Greenwich Council's Directorate of Regeneration, Enterprise & Skills on 020 8921 3954.

Assistant Director, Strategic Transportation
The Woolwich Centre,
35 Wellington Street,
SE18 6HQ

Dated 6th December 2011
(INTERNAL REF: 10231/009)

Greenwich Council

LONDON BOROUGH OF GREENWICH ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 – SECTION 14(1) TEMPORARY ROAD CLOSURE – GREENWICH HIGH ROAD

- NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Greenwich Borough Council intends to make an Order to accommodate plant works in Greenwich High Road. The effect of the Order would be to temporarily prohibit vehicles from entering, exiting, proceeding or waiting (including waiting for the purposes of loading or unloading) in Greenwich High Road, between its junctions with Barges Grove and Dorethshire Drive.
- Parking suspensions may also be imposed in the affected length of Greenwich High Road, where appropriate.
- The above road closure would only apply at such times and to such extent as shall be indicated by the placing of the appropriate traffic signs. Vehicular access to properties affected by these works would be maintained whenever possible subject to the extent and operations of the works.
- Whilst the road closure specified in paragraph 1 to this Notice is in operation, the alternative route for traffic affected by the road closure would be via Blackheath Road and Greenwich South Street, as directed by traffic signs.
- The Order would come into force on 17th December 2011 and would continue in force for up to 18 months, or until the works have been completed, whichever is the sooner. However, it is expected that the works would commence at 7.00 am on 17th December 2011 and be completed by 8.00 pm on 18th December 2011.
- Queries concerning these works should be directed to Greenwich Council's Directorate of Regeneration, Enterprise & Skills on 020 8921 6340.

Assistant Director, Strategic Transportation
The Woolwich Centre,
35 Wellington Street,
SE18 6HQ

Dated 6th December 2011
(INTERNAL REF: 10231/009)

Greenwich Council

MEPS & GREATER LONDON AUTHORITY MEMBERS

GREENWICH AND WOOLWICH

Nick Raynsford (Lab)
Email raynsfordn@parliament.uk
or write to Nick Raynsford MP, House of Commons, London SW1A 0AA
Call the office in advance on 020 7219 5895 to register for a surgery (lines are open Monday-Thursday 10am-12pm & 2-4pm).
2nd & 4th Fridays of the month, 7pm at 32 Woolwich Road, Greenwich SE10 0JU.
2nd Saturday of the month, 11am at Charlton House, Charlton Road, Charlton SE7 8RE.
2nd Saturday of the month, 2pm at West Greenwich House, 141 Greenwich High Road, Greenwich SE10 8JA.
4th Saturday of the month: 11am at the Barnfield Project, Oak House, Barnfield Road SE18 3UH.
4th Saturday of the month, 2pm at Woolwich Town Hall, Wellington Street, Woolwich SE18 6PW.

ELTHAM

Clive Efford (Lab) Call for an appointment at the following monthly surgeries on 020-8850 5744 between 11am and 3pm Mon-Fri.
1st Tues: Anstridge Community Centre, Anstridge Rd. SE9, 11am-12.30pm
1st Fri: Horn Park Community Centre, 96 Sibthorpe Road, 11am-12.30pm
2nd Fri: Slade Hall, Pendrell Street, 6pm
2nd Sat: St Mary's Community Centre, Eltham High Street, 10am and 4th Friday o at a of the month at 6pm.
3rd Tues: Middle Park Community Centre, 150 Middle Park Avenue, 11am-12.30pm
3rd Fri: Coldharbour Neighbourhood office, library entrance, William Barefoot Drive, 11am.
4th Sat: Shrewsbury House, 10am, Bushmoor Crescent

ERITH & THAMESMEAD

Teresa Pearce (Lab)
All surgeries are booked by appointment by calling 020 7219 7068 or write to Teresa Pearce MP, House of Commons, London, SW1A 0AA, or email teresa.pearce.mp@parliament.uk
Four advice surgeries each month: the 1st Saturday of the month in Thamesmead, the 2nd Saturday of the month in Erith, the 3rd Friday of the month in Northumberland Heath and the 4th Friday of the month in Abbey Wood.

GLA MEMBER

Len Duval (Lab) is the GLA member for Greenwich and Lewisham. Please write to Len Duval, GLA, City Hall, Queen's Walk, London SE1 2AA; phone 020-7983 4408/4517; or email len.duval@london.gov.uk

EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT

Contact your MEP at the UK Office of the European Parliament on 020-7227 4300.

Contact Members' Services on 020 8921 5151 for information on the surgery timings for your own councillor.

COUNCIL MEETINGS

The following meetings are taking place over the next few days in the Town Hall, Wellington Street (unless otherwise stated).
December 8 - Overview & Scrutiny, 7pm.

December 13 - Cabinet, 7pm. West Greenwich Local Housing panel, 7pm, Jubilee Hall, Blissett Street.

More information on 020-8921 5130 or www.greenwich.gov.uk/meetings

Golden start for Greenwich

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times London Marathon winner David Weir.

Zoe, 17, became the first English woman ever to win a Commonwealth Games weightlifting medal when she won bronze in Delhi last year to set herself on course for Team GB in 2012.

Zoe, from A B b e y

Wood, said: "The London Youth Games has played a massive role in my sporting career, so it is very special to be a patron for this year's Games. It is through the Games that I first discovered my talent for weightlifting."

"Without that early opportunity to compete, I seriously doubt whether I would have been in with a chance of competing at London 2012. It's a brilliant feeling to be able to represent your borough."



CARRY ON PATRON: Zoe Smith in her role as patron to the Balfour Beatty London Youth Games

02 treat for Kickz kids

TWENTY young people from the Greenwich and Bexley Kickz sessions got the chance to see the world's top eight tennis players at the ATP World Tour Finals at The O2.

They were chosen from three academies, including St Paul's Academy in Abbey Wood and Corelli College, Kidbrooke, for showing excellent attitudes at the weekly sessions run by the Charlton Athletic Community Trust.

Social inclusion officer Matt Horse said: "The young people deserved to attend a world-class sporting event that they



NET ACCORD: the Kickz team arrives at The O2 for the World Tour Finals

wouldn't normally be able to enjoy."

Trevor Gomes, a Year 10 student at St Paul's Academy, said: "It was really fantastic to see some of the world's top players close up. The speed of the serves was amazing."

● BUILDING work has begun on the new 'Valley Central' drop-in centre at The Valley.

The new centre will offer a range of health, education and youth services to the local community and will be managed by the trust.

The scheme, financed by the Greenwich Primary Care Trust and Greenwich Council, will also see the construction of a multi-use games area in Valley Grove.

Trust chief executive Jason Morgan said: "This new facility will provide a range of important services that can only benefit the local community. The health services will include early detection of health issues and provide health and fitness advice."

"The youth services will provide sport and physical activity for young people."

Harriers opportunity for cross-country runners

FOUR hundred and 41 runners finished the Greenwich secondary schools' cross-country championships at Avery Hill Park, Eltham.

The top 10 Year 7 and 8 runners were invited to do some training with local club Cambridge Harriers. Full results - Year 7 girls: 1 Nomedo Laukyte (Corelli College), 2 C.J. Emiaso-Oghenebro (Plumstead Manor), 3 Ella Newton (Thomas Tallis). Year 8: 1 Megan Marchant (Colfe's),

2 Julia Doukrou (St Ursula's), 3 Carla Doukrou (St Ursula's). Year 9: 1 Ellen Dunbar (Colfe's), 2 Heather Butcher (Plumstead Manor), 3 Olivia Porter (Colfe's). Year 10/11: 1 Millie Bach (Colfe's), 2 Omoade Taiwo (Plumstead Manor), 3 Stevie Marie Domonique (St Thomas More). Year 7 boys: 1 Edward Hepburn (St Thomas More), 2 Evan McDonald (Colfe's), 3 Luke Jossa (St Thomas More). Year

8: 1 Rochentho Sproft (Woolwich Poly), 2 Joe Gardiner (Colfe's), 3 Charlie Pearton (Thomas Tallis). Year 9: 1 Firdous Shinwarie (Woolwich Poly), 2 Dajon Golding (The John Roan), 3 Ben Rogers (Corelli College). Year 10/11: 1 Ben Cooper (Woolwich Poly), 2 Tommy Legget (Corelli College), 3 Juvenal Iragaba (Woolwich Poly). Team results - Year 7 girls: 1 Thomas Tallis, 2 Plumstead Manor, St

Thomas More. Year 8: 1 Colfe's, 2 St Thomas More, 3 Thomas Tallis. Year 9: 1 Thomas Tallis, 2 St Ursula's, 3 Plumstead Manor. Year 10/11: 1 St Thomas More, 2 Plumstead Manor, 3 Corelli College. Year 7 boys: 1 St Thomas More, 2 Colfe's, 3 Woolwich Poly. Year 8: 1 Thomas Tallis, 2 Woolwich Poly, 3 Colfe's. Year 9: 1 Woolwich Poly, 2 Corelli, 3 Thomas Tallis. Year 10/11: 1 Woolwich Poly, 2 The John Roan, 3 Corelli College.

MORDEN MOUNT PRIMARY SCHOOL
LEWISHAM ROAD, LONDON SE13 7QP
Tel: 020 8692 1920. Head Teacher: MRS MARY JACKSON

We have the following vacancies available for January 2012

Early Years Practitioner

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We offer the opportunity to work as part of a Foundation Stage team in this lively and diverse school. You will have excellent opportunities to continue your professional development. The position is 5 days per week; term time only (39 weeks per year); salary £21,375 - £23,277 pro rata.

Meals Supervisor

The posts involve working Monday to Friday; 1 hour daily (between 11.30am - 1.30pm); term time only (39 weeks per year); approximately £8.70 per hour.

Duties include supervising children in the playground and dinner hall; managing behaviour appropriately and sympathetically - we will want you to help make lunchtimes a positive learning experience for our children.

The successful candidates will:

- Be able to relate sympathetically to very young children
- Be able to promote social skills in young children
- Have patience and empathy with children experiencing learning or social difficulties
- Have the ability to work as part of a team
- Know how to help children learn
- Have knowledge of the foundation stage curriculum
- Be committed to the success of the school
- Be required to undertake a CRB check

The school is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children.

Please contact the school for an application pack by sending an A4 stamped self-addressed envelope, collecting a pack directly from the School Office at the above address or emailing info@mordenmountgreenwichsch.uk

All applicants are invited to visit the school prior to submitting their application.

The closing date for completed applications is Thursday 5 January 2012

Previous applicants need not apply



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Sabrina shows her stamina to win the first Youth Games medal

PRO ACTIVE: Sabrina Sinha in her Get Active borough T-shirt shows off her gold medal after winning the London Youth Games cross-country race

by Peter Cordwell

OLYMPIC year started early for host borough Greenwich when Sabrina Sinha won gold in the very first event of the 2012 Balfour Beatty London Youth Games, the Under 13s race at the cross-country event at Parliament Hill Fields.

Nearly 1,000 young people from all over London took part, watched by Team GB Olympic marathon contender Scott Overall and world 10,000m champion Mo Farah, who both started competing at the Youth Games.

Sabrina, a member of Cambridge Harriers and supported by the Greenwich Starting Blocks charity, completed the 2km course in the excellent time of 7 mins 6 secs, three seconds ahead of

Wandsworth's Breagha Campbell and Saskia Millard, who took the silver and bronze medals.

"I really enjoyed the race, it was my first ever London Youth Games event," said Sabrina. "It means a lot to win for Greenwich. We have an excellent atmosphere with a very supportive team. I run a lot for Cambridge Harriers, mainly in middle distance and cross country."

This was the first time Greenwich had entered the competition. The Under 13s team came fourth and the overall position was 13th out of 33.

Cllr John Fahy, the council's cabinet member for culture and the Olympics, said: "What a great early start to Olympic and Paralympic year. Sabrina is an athlete of outstanding potential and the team did really well to finish 13th in their first attempt."

Scott Overall, who secured the Olympic qualifying time when finishing fifth in September's Berlin Marathon, said: "I competed in the London Youth Games for Richmond. It must have been 1996, I think. It's great being back here where I used to run, although, the hill isn't as big as I remember it when I was 13!"

"The London Youth Games is a great stepping stone. You race outside of your school at a young age and experience a high level of competition. It's a great start to help you to move on to bigger things."

●GREENWICH Olympic hopeful Zoe Smith is the patron of the London Youth Games this season along with double Paralympics athletics gold medallist and five

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